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Message of the Day 131,000,000,000

Eliminating waste, fraud and abuse in government spending to protect 100% of the Social Security trust fund.

- amount, in dollars, of debt Republicans will pay down next year.

Events	TODAY – 11/17	Tomorrow – 11/18	Coming up	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	* On floor: CR, D.C., consolidated appropriations (tent.); * Watts, Armey, Fowler, Weldon of Pa. news conference on budget victory; * Armey, Goodling, Hoekstra, McKeon, Castle news conference on education; * Mica subcommittee on Cuban drug trafficking; * Goss hearing on CIA's operations directorate.	* On floor: D.C., consolidated appropriations (tent.); * Crane to speak at Tax Foundation conference on marginal tax rates; * Schaffer to Ukraine on fact-finding mission; * Terry to address southwest Republican women's club; * Shuster to attend National Press Club book fair and authors' night; * Houghton, Kolbe to attend ESI, CELI discussion on WTO.	conference on Y2K report card; * 11/29 Barr to hold town hall meeting in Adairsville, Ga.	* On floor: suspensions; * DeLay, Thune, Sessions news conference on taxes, budget, government waste; * Stearns, Everett joint hearing on Persian Gulf War health effects; * Armey held pen and pad news conference; * Davis of Va. attended conference on federal contracting; * Gilman, others news conference on DNA, crime.	ABC World News (Tues.) 1. Co-pilot said prayer before crash 2. Breakthrough for arthritis 3. Jackson arrested during protest NBC Nightly News (Tues.) 1. Investigators leaning toward suspicion of copilot 2. Fed raises interest rates 3. Ensuring pilots are mentally fit CBS Evening News (Tues.) 1. NTSB to transfer probe to FBI 2. Boy convicted of 2 nd degree murder for shooting
Senate GOP	* On floor: bankruptcy reform, D.C., consolidated appropriations (tent.); * Frist to participate in briefing on minority health care access. * Helms news conference on U.N.; * Hatch markup of date rape prevention, Waco investigation.	* On floor: D.C., consolidated appropriations (tent.); * Thurmond to attend art exhibit opening; * Hatch to Des Moines to speak at Des Moines Register forum; * McCain to Nashville for book signing at Walden Books.	* 11/21 McCain to Phoenix, Ariz., to participate in GOP debate at ASU; * 12/1 Chafee to participate in Chamber of Commerce meet and greet; * 12/2 McCain to Manchester, N.H., to participate in GOP debate.	* On floor: bankruptcy reform; * Roth hearing on International Trade Commission nomination; * Frist, Gilman sponsored briefing on reducing malaria worldwide; * McCain in Colo., spoke to Denver Press Club.	 14-year-old boy pleads guilty for school plot Washington Post (Wed.) Egyptians challenge FBI role White House, Hill near final deal on spending Federal Reserve raises key rate Washington Times (Wed.) Egypt asks for delay in FBI
Govs	* Bush of Texas to unveil autobiography in Davenport, Iowa. * To Istanbul to visit Grotto of	* Republican Governors Association annual meeting continues in Calif. * In Istanbul, to attend summit of	GOP presidential debate. * 11/19 In Istanbul;	* Leavitt news conference on streamlining the tax system. * Spoke to Turkish Business	probe 2. China sees cyberspace as new battlefield 3. From POW to president?
President	Mary, speak with patriarch, watch cultural presentation.	Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.	* 11/19-20 To Greece for state visit with first lady.	Council, met with earthquake survivors in Turkey.	New York Times (Wed.) 1. Crew member suspected of
1 st Lady	* To travel with president to Istanbul, to "listen."	* To visit Antalya, Turkey, to "listen."	* 12/7 To N.Y. for Police Athletic League luncheon, to "listen."	* Traveled with president in Turkey, "listened."	crashing jet 2. Short-term rates raised by Fed
VP Gore	* To Atlanta to speak at United Jewish Communities 1999 General Assembly.	Community College Forum.	* 11/19 To attend Gore 2000 events in Manchester, Claremont, Keene, Bedford, N.H.	* Returned to D.C. from Seattle; * Participated in live Internet town hall event.	3. Mixing wariness and joy, interns become residents USA TODAY (Wed.)
Cabinet	* Shalala, Glickman, Reno to speak on children's health insurance.	* Riley to address families for mental health conference.	* 11/19 Riley to hold New American High Schools awards.	* Summers news conference on newly redesigned 5, 10 dollar bills.	Markets welcome rate hike; Dow, Nasdaq soars WWII news story of century
Dems	* DeLauro, Lowey, McCarthy of N.Y., DeGette news conference on guns; * Millender-McDonald news conference on immigrants, census; * Becerra, Napolitano to participate in Latin, civil rights fundraiser.	* Brown of Ohio, Baucus to join Houghton, Kolbe discussion on WTO; * Kerrey to join Crane at Tax Foundation conference on marginal tax rates.	* 11/20 Gephardt to N.H. to speak at the NHDP Jefferson-Jackson event; * 12/1 DSCC "soft money" fundraiser in Los Angeles.	* Lieberman, Bayh, Dooley, Hoeffel news conference on Democrat education plan; * Conyers, Brown of Fla., Jackson Lee, Meek, Hastings news conference on plan to end affirmative action in Fla.	3. Dangerous products find way into thrift stores, study says AP Top News (Wed., 7 am) 1. FBI role in probe delayed 2. Fed raises rates quarter point 3. Hurricane Lenny threatens Caribbean